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## (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Stockton – 50 Arrested, Dozens of Guns Seized in Operation Targeting Norteno Gang

(U) An operation against the Norteño street gang in Stockton has resulted in the arrest of 50 people, authorities announced yesterday. According to the California Department of Justice, the operation began back in August. The operation targeted the Norteño street gang's alleged criminal activities. The DA's office says members of the gang are suspected in a slew of crimes, including: attempted murder, conspiracy to commit murder, robbery, conspiracy to commit robbery, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances and firearms violations.

SOURCE: 19 November 2019, CBS Sacramento

#### (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

#### (U) California – Teen Used Remote-Controlled Car to Smuggle Meth across US-Mexico Border

(U) San Diego – US Border Patrol agents arrested a sixteen-year-old boy accused of using a remote-controlled car to smuggle over \$100k worth of methamphetamine across the US-Mexico border. Agents observed the boy walking along the border wall near San Diego with two duffel bags containing over 50 packages and a remote controlled car. Agents believe multiple trips were made with someone on the Mexican side loading up the car. The boy is a US citizen and will face drug smuggling charges. SOURCE: 19 November 2019, Fox News

#### (U) NATIONAL

## (U) Arizona - Man Pleads Guilty to Illegally Making Bullets Sold to Las Vegas Mass Shooter

(U) Mesa – An Arizona man pleaded guilty to illegally making bullets sold to the Las Vegas mass shooter. The suspect pled guilty to engaging in the business of manufacturing ammunition without a license when he ran an ammo manufacturing business from his home. The suspect sold his ammo at gun shows and that ammo was discovered in the hotel room of the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival shooter. SOURCE: 19 November 2019, ABC News

#### (U) Georgia – Sixteen-Year-Old Girl Arrested in Plot to Attack Predominately Black Church

(U) Gainesville – A sixteen-year-old girl has been arrested after authorities discovered her plan to kill people at a predominately black church in Hall County. The teen planned to attack the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. School administrators learned of the alleged plot form students who observed "detailed plans to commit murder" in the girl's notebook. The teen was charged with criminal attempt to commit murder.

SOURCE: 19 November 2019, Atlanta Journal Constitution

# (U) Illinois - DePaul Student Wrote Computer Code to Help Spread ISIS Propaganda Online

(U) Chicago – Federal charges were brought against a Chicago college student who wrote computer code to help ISIS spread propaganda online. The student was charged in a criminal complaint with one count

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of attempting to provide material support to a terrorist organization. The student was held without bond as a flight risk and danger to the community.

SOURCE: 19 November 2019, Chicago Tribune

#### (U) Rhode Island-Thirteen Charged in Fentanyl Trafficking Conspiracy

(U) Providence – Federal prosecutors say 13 people face charges stemming from a six-month investigation into the trafficking of fentanyl and other drugs in Providence. More than 500 grams of fentanyl and two firearms were seized. Another 600 grams of fentanyl, fentanyl pills, and other drugs were seized previously in the "Operation Bloodline" investigation.

SOURCE: 19 November 2019, Washington Times

# (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Germany – Police Arrest Syrian Suspected of Planning Attack

(U) Berlin – German police arrested a Syrian man suspected of exchanging bomb building material through an Islamist messenger group with the aim of planning an attack. Police Special Forces searched the apartment of the suspect in Berlin who had started to buy chemicals and other materials needed to build an explosive device. German police detained three people last week on suspicion of planning a bomb attack for the Islamic State militant group.

SOURCE: 19 November 2019, Reuters

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